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September 13, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

35 September 13, 2016

LORI GLASGOW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
PUBLIC BUILDINGS CORE SERVICES AREA
BALDWIN PARK ANIMAL CARE CENTER
DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
ESTABLISH AND APPROVE CAPITAL PROJECT
APPROVE BUDGET
SPECS. 7416; CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 87315
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1)
(3 VOTES)

### **SUBJECT**

Approval of the recommended actions will find the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center Drainage Improvement project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; establish and approve the capital project and budget; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to deliver the project using a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find the proposed Baldwin Park Animal Care Center Drainage Improvement project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this letter and in the record of the project.
- 2. Establish and approve the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center Drainage Improvement project, Capital Project No. 87315, with a total project budget estimate of \$1,316,000.

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3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to deliver the project using a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center Drainage Improvement project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); establish Capital Project 87315, approve the project and budget; and authorize the Director of Public Works to deliver the project using a Board-approved Job Order Contract (JOC).

The proposed project will improve drainage, parking, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility at the Baldwin Park Animal Care Center facility located at 4275 North Elton Street, Baldwin Park, CA 91706.

The proposed project consists of removing the damaged asphalt and concrete pavement areas and drainage swales around the kennel buildings and replacing with new concrete pavement and drainage swales around for improved drainage and ADA access; refurbishing and paving the existing gravel infiltration basin area in the lower parking lot to provide additional parking and to incorporate an engineered underground infiltration chamber system to improve capture, storage, and percolation of stormwater runoff; and refurbishing a portion of the upper parking lot area to incorporate a similar engineered underground infiltration chamber system to capture, store, and infiltrate stormwater runoff from the rest of the facility.

The proposed project was designed by Department of Public Works in-house staff, and jurisdictional approvals were obtained in June 2016. Construction will be completed using a Board-approved JOC. Construction will begin in January 2017 and be completed in July 2017.

Green Building/Sustainable Design Program

The project will support the Board's Green Building/Sustainable Design Program by incorporating engineered underground stormwater infiltration systems in the parking lot areas to capture, filter, and infiltrate the stormwater runoff from the site.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1), Community Support and Responsiveness (Goal 2), and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). These recommended actions support the Strategic Plan by investing in public infrastructure that will improve animal care and control services for County of Los Angeles residents.

# **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The total project cost estimate is \$1,316,000, and includes, plans and specifications, construction, consultant services, County Services and a change order contingency of \$80,000.

Sufficient appropriation is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Capital Projects/Refurbishment Budget, under Capital Project No. 87315, to fully fund the project. The project is funded with prior year net County costs.

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**Operating Budget Impact** 

The Department of Animal Care and Control does not anticipate one-time costs or an increase in ongoing maintenance and operational costs following completion of the project.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to the Board's Civic Arts Policy, approved on August 11, 2015, the proposed project is exempt from the Civic Art Policy funding allocation requirement because the project involves paving and underground projects.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed project is categorically exempt from CEQA. It consists of removing and replacing portions of damaged asphalt, concrete pavement, and drainage swales; removing one tree from the lower parking lot retention basin area; and installing engineered underground infiltration chamber systems in the upper and lower parking lot areas for improved drainage, ADA access, and parking at the animal care center facility. The proposed project is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(d), (f), (h), and (l), 15302, 15303(e), and 15311 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1(c), (h), (i), (j), and (n), 2, 3(b), and 11 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. The proposed project consists of repair and minor alterations of existing animal care facilities with negligible or no expansion of an existing use, and placement of new small appurtenant structures. Additionally, the project is not located in a sensitive environment, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, or other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the project record.

Upon the Board's approval of the project, Public Works will file a Notice of Exemption with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in accordance with Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

# **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Design of the improvements was completed by Public Works. Construction of the improvements will be completed using a Board-approved JOC.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the recommended actions will have no impact on current County services or projects.

The animal care facility will remain open to the public during construction, and the contractor will be required to phase and coordinate construction activities with the County to minimize disruption of public access to the facility.

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### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to the Department of Public Works, Project Management Division I.

Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

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